



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

Docket No: Q64069

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Confirmation No.: 4742

Appln. No.: 09/839,223

Examiner: Sinh N. TRAN

Filed: April 23, 2001

For:

A HEARING AID WITH A FACE PLATE THAT IS AUTOMATICALLY MANUFACTURED

TO THE HEARING AID SHELL

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Responsive to the restriction requirement stated in the Office Action mailed May 20, 2003, Applicant elects Group I, claims 17-41. Applicant reserves the right to rejoinder of the method claims pursuant to MPEP 821.04 upon allowance of a product claim.

This election is made without traverse.

Examination on the merits is respectfully requested.

The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account.

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Respectfully submitted,

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